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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Box Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 9, 2002, which set a one-month shortened statutory period for response. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed with an executed certificate of mailing on, or before, Monday, February 11, 2002 because February 9, 2002 falls on a Saturday. 35 USC § 21(b); 37 CFR §§ 1.7 and 1.8.

It is not believed that this response occasions any fee, but should there be any fee, please charge the same to Deposit Account No. 02-4467. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.